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Laws.

Upon the white sea sand,
There sat a pilgrim bound,
Telling the loves that their lives had known,
While evening came away.
From brevy cliff and bay,
The strong wind went out with weary moan.

One spoke with quivering lip,
On far distant ship,
With all his words he sent the gong down;
But one had a wider voice,
For a full two long days.

Lost in the darker depths of a great town:
Some mourned their day of youth
With a most loving truth,
For the brave hopes and memories over green;
But still one man had a soul that could not sleep,
To whom the world had not yet

For far off hills whereon his joys had been,
Some talked of vanquished gold,
Some of proud houses told,
And some of friends that were their trust no more;

And one of a green grave
Broke a foreign wave.

But when their tales were done,
The speaker took them one,
A stranger, seen from all worlds free—
So fast have joys been lost.

That made him sit lonely on the shore.
But mine is heavier yet,

For a believing heart goes from me."

"Alas!" these pilgrims said,
"For the living and the dead.

For fortune's sake, for love's sake,
For the wreath of a dead man's hair,

But, however, it came to thee,
Thine, stronger, is life's last and heaviest loss."

—London Atheneum.

VARIETY.

The number of vessels and the amount of tonnage that arrived at New York from foreign ports during the three months ending June 20th, were greater than in the same quarter of any previous year. This is owing in part to the closing of Southern ports.

It would seem (says the *Memphis Appeal*, Aug. 6,) that the hub of the American war at Norfolk, Va., is being converted into an impregnable fortress; for she will be a floating fortress that will be able to defend the whole navy of the United States, and bombard its cities. Her great size, strength, powerful engines and speed, combined with the invulnerability secured by the iron casing, will make the dispersion or destruction of the Southern fleet a mere泡影. Her immense tonnage will enable her to carry an armor proof against any projectile, and she could entrap herself by throwing bombs into Fortress Monroe, even, without risk.

An old white-haired Frenchman, who has been in reduced circumstances in San Francisco for several years, has been sent for by the Emperor of Napoleon to serve as his private secretary, so that he may be protected by some sinecure official position, sufficient to make him comfortable for the rest of his life. The old man was once wealthy in France, but reverses of fortune drove him to a foreign land, where he hoped to re-establish himself, and had a hard luck keeping him in the ranks of gold, when he has had a humble situation as a waiter and cook in San Mateo county, in the employ of the new water company.

A letter from Kanagawa, Japan, dated May 20, says: The projected embassy to Europe from the Court of the Tycoon assembled at the capital, and the arrival of the foreign and personal persons who are to take part therein. There are four envoys, all of whom are of the Hatamoto rank, or the same as were the envoys to America—the chief himself being only a titular kami. They will go out in such vessels as the English Government may place at their disposal; but the large vessel which is to accompany them will be owned by the owners, engineers and crew of their own vessel on the return voyage—it being their purpose to purchase a large steamer while in Europe. The absolute date of their departure is not fixed, though it will not be before the close of summer.

New York.—The first news issued from the British Main, San Francisco, is of the same size, but differs slightly in design from the old one. One side sits liberty as before, but no longer surrounded by 13 stars, but the word "United States of Ameri- ca." From the other side there is a representation of the two branches of oak, laurel, or some other wood, and pretty, is a wider yellow, composed, as it seems to the naked eye, of wheat and barley, corn and potato vines, within which is the "One Dime," and under it a very little星. It strikes us as a rather prettier coin than the old dime; but perhaps that is in part because the relief of the design and lettering is not so high.

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Gen. Morrison..... 295 Tennessee..... 11459
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Harrington..... 1000 W. H. White..... 560
Mexico..... 1000 W. H. White..... 560
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